WEATHER FORECASE.

### PRICE TWO CENTS.

# MORALS BLUNTED BY LUST OF EMPIRE

Senator Towne Spoke on Philippines.

CEASE HOSTILITIES.

He Charged That We Broke Faith With Filipinos-

A PREARRANGED SCHEME.

After Two Years of Wasting War, Declared the Senator, We Hold Only Such Ground as Our Troops Stand Upon-Are Under Obligations to Give the People Independence.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.-The Senate to day listened to a speech from Senator Towne, of Minnesota, in advocacy of his resolution for a cessation of hostilities in the Philippines. Both the floor and gallerles were crowded.

The rest of the day was devoted to th Indian appropriation bill.

Mr. Frye, the presiding officer, laid bethe Senate a cablegranf from the Director of the Federal party in the Phinippines, praying authorization for President McKinley to establish civil gov-

President McKinley to establish civil government in the Philippines.

Mr. Towns then spake, The charge that Aguinaldo had sold his country to the Spaniards for a bribe, he declared, was "gratulious in its calumny, when we consider that the official publications of our search of the country own Government contradict and destroy

The Scrator declared that "We were in alliance with the Filipinos, an alliance sought by ourselves, availed of by us for our own advantage, and finally, to our everlasting shame, repudiated by us when we found it no longer necessary and when lust of Empire had so blunted our mora sensibilities that we could mount from an act of perfidy to the grand larcehy of a

PREARRANGED SCHEME.

"It is not easy to fix with accuracy the time when the design was formed to take forcible possession of the Hullippine Islands," said Mr. Towne. "Upon the arrival of General Merritt at Manila, a district charge of tone was observable betinct change of tone was observable be tween the United States officers and the tinct change of tone was observable between the United States-officers and the Filipinos, the altered attitude being so marked as to force the conclusion that part of General Merritt's prearranged scheme was to manoeuver out of an awkward friendliness with Aguinaldo and thus secure footing for the development of some secret policy with which he had come already freighted from Washington. "All doubt of the prearranged plan was banished," in Mr. Towne's opinion by the President Himself. "Either the third article of the protocol with Spain does not mean what it says or the President of the United States in causing the issuance on December 29, 1898, of his famous benevolent assimilation proclamation, broke the plighted faith of this Government.
"If we are bent upon slaughter," said he, "let it be in open guise. Let us boldly raise the sombre that of international piracy, whistle scruple down the wind, then close in upon our feeble victim to the cry of "Loot and Glory."

Mr. Towne maintained that the United States was under the obligation of commissioners if not indeed of actual prom'se

Mr. Towne maintained that the Com-states was under the obligation of com-missioners if not indeed of actual promis-to grant independence to the Filipinos who, he contended, were able to govern themselves. As the result of two years of wasting war, we occupy about one-five-hundredth part of that archipelage. No district is really "pacified." We hold the ground our troops stand on, practically nothing more.
INEVITABLE DISASTER.

"After the elections the resistance in the Philippines increased and it had been announced in the Senate within a week that sixty thousand American soldiers would be needed in the islands for an in-The retention of the Philippines will

commit us to the whole programme of empire. There is a law among nations by which a bad appetite grows by what it No nation in history has resis ed it and to every nation that had yielded to it, it had brought disaster. Athens succumbed to it and perished. Rome indulged the mad ambition and followed it to her doom. It was the ruin of Venice. It will work the destruction of England. In my opinion, ere the close of this fatefu Are we, with all the lessons of history before us, to prove the next victim tois insatiate passion, the greatest

most amentane, most gratulous sections in all man tragedy?"
SUCCESSOR SWORN.
Immediately following Mr. Towne's speech the credentials of his successor, Mose: E. Clapp, of Minnesota, were pre-3 E. Clapp, of Minnesota, were presented and he was duly sworn in.

The credentials of Joseph W. Bailey as senttor from Texas, and of F. M. Simmons as senator from North Carolina,

also were presented.

Mr. McComas, of Maryland, moved that the credentials of the North Carolina sen-ator be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Chandler, chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, gave as-surance that no rights would be waived by the present reading of the credentials, d thereupon Mr. McComas withdrew his

motion.

The Indian appropriation bill then was taken up. Mr. Chandler gave notice that if the bill was not disposed of to-morrow he would ask for night sessions. The Senate at 6 o'clock adjourned until

to-morrow. In the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The major portion of the day in the House was occupled by District of Columbia business. The bill to revise and codify the postal laws, was finally passed. Its friends succeeded in confining the measure strictly to the condification and revision of ex-

isting laws. All attempts to amend it in any vital particular failed. The most interesting feature of the day was an attempt to secure a vote upon the Senate bill to appoint a commission to consider and adjudicate the claims of United States citizens against Spain, which this government assumed by section seven of the treaty of Paris. These

already aggregate, \$28,000,000. The House at the last sess The House at the last session recommitted a similar bill with instructions to report back a bill to confer jurisdiction in these cases upon the Court of Claims,

Mr. Haughen appealed to the House to yote down the substitute and pass the Cenate bill. There was some intimation

of sharp practice over this mode of procedure, but the matter was settled tem-porarly by notion ansideration of the bill until next Monday.

Mr. Brossius, of Fenneylvania, called up his bill to extend national bank char-ters for twenty years. Mr. Richardson objected to its consideration by unan-

Mr. Siepard, of Texas, offered an amendment to the postal codification bill, providing that every postmaster shall taxe resided within the delivery of his office for six months prior to the appoint-

ment.
Some of the Southern members, notably Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia, supported him, warmly urging that it would put an end to carpet-bagging in the South, but the amendment was defeated—26 to 45. SENSATIONAL PASSAGE.

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A rather sensational passage occurred between Mr. Flynn, Oklahoma, and Mr. Stephens. Texas. Mr. Stephens refused to give unanimous consent for an Oklahoma bill, whereupon Mr. Flynn attacked him personally, charging that he had placed in the Fort Hall reservation bill surreptitionsly a section which no one knew was in the bill. "Then," Mr. Flynn continued, "he telegraphed a man in Texas that he had gotten the section in the bill, advised him to throw up his job, locate a claim and said that he (Mr. Stephens) was 'in with it."

"Any one who makes that statement,

Stephens) was 'in with it."
"Any one who makes that statement, no matter who he is." shouted Mr. Stephens, "tells a wilful falsehood."
"Do you deny that you telegraphed to a blacksmith to that effect?" asked Mr.

"I relievate that it is a falsehood." /
"I received my information from the
man to whom the blacksmith sold out."
"But I'llen" "But if the gentleman eplied Mr. Flynn. "But if the gentleman it is untrue, I will take his word

The postal codification bill then was passed, and at 5:39 P. M. the House adjourned.

#### WIDESPREAD DAMAGE.

Storm in England Accompanied by Heavy Snow. (By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The storm continue long the coasts and inland, accompanied by heavy snows. Widespread damage has been done. The telegraph lines are down and the roads are blocked with snow. A number of minor wrecks have been

#### DANISH WEST INDIES.

Only One Member of Committee Opposes Their Sale. (By Associated Press.)

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 28.—Only a single nember, out of the fifteen comprising that Finance Committee of the Folkething, opposes the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States. The objector is starting a newspapepr campaign in favor of their retention, but the Finance Committee of the Landsthing will shortly report in favor of the sale of

Henrica Schoolhouse Burned, (Special Dispatch to The Times.) ASHLAND, VA., Jan. 28.-The store-

ouse in which a school was being taught, at Taylor's Cross, just across the Chicka-homiay, in Henrico county, was burned hominy, in Henrico county, was this afternoon.

A defective flue was the cause.

### SMALLPOX AT THE UNIVERSITY

#### The Cases Have Been Few in Number and are Convalescent-The Danger Point Passed.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) (Special Dispatch to The Times.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Jan. 28.—
The following facts were obtained from a talk with Dr. Barringer to-night:
On Sunday, January 13th, a case appeared at the University which looked like varioloid, but which subsequent developments showed to be a Jittle more severe, in fact, genuine smallpox. Within the next three days live other cases occurred too mild to be even called variocurred, too mild to be even called variocurred, too mild to be even called vario-loid. At the same time Mr. Ernest G. Terrill became sick with scarlantina. The diagnosis was definite, and was corrobo-rated by three physicians besides Dr. Barringer. It was a hemorraghic type and death occurred in four days. CONVALESCENT.

All the others are now convalescent, and no new cases have appeared since the 20th. There is much doubt as to whether the disease came from the dis-secting hall. The subject, which the stu-dents thought produced it, was brought to the University with the physician's death certificate reading: "Acute alco-holism," and there is no reason to believe that their diagnosis was erroneous.

There is no excitement, as every student in college and all employes of the insti-

tution have been vaccinated.
PROF. MALLET'S STATEMENT. PROF. MALLET'S STATEMENT.
Professor J. W. Mallet, acting chairman, has given out the following statement: "In regard to the existing cases of sickness in the University, of which there are only six in all, it is to be desired that the students will give no ear to foolish and sensational rumors, but go on quietly and steadily with their work, selving wear and other properties." asking me or any other member of the medical faculty for any information in detail with confidence that they will be told the exact truth. All proper precau-tions are taken, and there is no reason for any general alarm."

LOCAL RUMORS.

Various rumors have been going the rounds in regard to smallpox at the University of Virginia which have been much exaggerated. The death of young Ernest G. Terrill, of Campbell county, and his prompt burial at the University Cemetery without a published statement of the disease from which he died, renewed the uneasiness of the friends of that institu-

tion as to the conditions there.

The above telegram is reassuring and sets at rest the reports of an epidemic or other dangerous condition at the Uni-

### ROBERT O. DYER APPOINTED.

Made Chief Deputy to Collector Asa Rogers.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) (Special Dispatch to The Limes.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Jan. 28.—Robert O. Dyer, deputy internal revenue collector, Third Division, Second District of Virginia, located in this city, has received his appointment as chief deputy to Col-

Virgina, located in this city, has received his appointment as chief deputy to Collector Asa Rogers, who recently succeeded Colonel James Brady.

Dyer's femer position will be filled by J. C. Thomas, of Williamsburg, for many years principal of schools in that city.

Mr. Dyer is an experienced man in the Revenue Department. He is a native of Southampton county, and widely and Southampton county, and widely and favorably known. Mr. Dyer will at it

# PROPOSE TO HAVE FOUR-YEAR TERM

Charter So Changed.

### ALL CITY OFFICERS.

To Take In All From Mayor to Councilmen.

WILL LESSEN ELECTIONS.

A Plan That Its Advocates Think Will Improve the Municipal Government, Further Work on the Bud-

The Committee on Charter Changes met last night and organized, by the election of Mr. Pollock chairman. Messrs. Allen, Bloomberg, Curtis, Gordon and Pollock were present. The committee adjourned without action, to meet at the call of the chairman.

At the next meeting of the committee Mr. Pollock will bring before the com-Mr. Pollock will bring before the committee legislation changing the period of service of the Council and of all the officers elected by that body, and also of the Mayor, from two to four years, this necessitating a municipal election only once in four years, instead of two years, as at present. The period of service of the treasurer is now three years, which results in an election with all fits cost three years out of four.

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The friends of this measure believe that it will be very much more advantageous for the city officials to be elected for four years, thus obviating a general municipal upleaval every two years with all its attendant evils. It is believed that the Council would be in position to give its attention much more undividedly to the consideration of legislation, if there were some period in its life when it were more than twelve months from an election, measuring backward or forward.

Further Work on the Budget. The Finance Committee gave another meeting last night to hearing from differ-

meeting last night to hearing from different departments and institutions as to the budget for next year./

The Eye and Ear Infirmary asks for \$500, as against \$375 last year. The Belle Bryan Nursery and Free kindergarten presented its claims. The Retreat for the Sick wants \$500, as against \$300. Mrs. Jno. B. Lightfoot, Jr., Major E. T. D. Myers and Dr. Wheat told of the special circumstances which necessitated this larger request. Miss Cabaniss, the superintendent of the Old Dominion Hospital, spoke for that institution, which asks for \$200, as against \$150.

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Mr. J. C. Osterbind and others told how \$3,000 would beautify Riverside Park, and of the large number of people within reach of this locality. Tredegar Street needs paving, according to the testimony of Messrs. Clarke, Anderson and Blankenship, of the Tredegar Company. Eight thousand dollars will do the work to Belle Isle Bridge and \$7,000 beyond that point.

point. The Woman's League Training School was a new applicant before the commit-tee. Dr. R. E. Jones told of its work in

tee. Dr. R. E. Jones fold of its work training in the arts of cooking, dress-making, etc. Five hundred dollars will help this work along.

Colonel Cutchins and Major Daughtrey ask for \$1,500 for the Blues, as against \$1,000 last year. The case they made out

Was a strong one.
Colonel Cutshaw's entire estimates for streets, etc., sum up to the modest trifle of \$1,017,479,60. This covers pay-roll, expense account, opening streets, bridges, sewers, alleys, sidewalks, etc. By cutting every corner, however, the Colonel gets down to \$375,090. Of this \$59,000 should go for a Lee District sewer, and \$25,000 would straighten some of the kinks out of Bacon's Quarter Branch. The Engineer thinks \$125,000 should go on the streets, and told how our families would one of these days enjoy the New Reservoir lake in naptha launches. Previous thereto \$29,000 must come from somethereto \$30,000 must come from some-where, and then there will be the ques-tion as to where the water for the naptha launches to sail on will come from.

Whatever the fate of the new lake, everybody has enjoyed \$2,500 worth of music in the parks so much that they want \$3,500 worth of it next year.

The gas estimates call for oil and coal \$1,000 may real. \$61,000, pay-roll \$67,000, expense \$10,000, street gas \$4,300, electric lights \$32,000 and extension \$24,500, making a total of \$202,-

### Street Committee.

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The Street Committee spent an hour yesterday afternoon in doing nothing. The remaining fifteen minutes was spent in approving the pay-roll and bills.

The time that was consumed was spent in discussing the proposition to permit interested citizens to object to the proposed line of the Laurel-Street branch of the Passenger and Power Company. Recently the committee instructed the company to go ahead with the proposed change, usgo ahead with the proposed change, us ing Cumberland Street to get to Cherry instead of Beverly, as heretofore. Now the citizens enter an objection, and want the line to simply go out Laurel Street. City Engineer Cutshaw and several members stated that the committee could do nothing, but Rev. Dr. Hutson and Judge Lamb spoke for those interested, and the committee adjourned to next Friday to give the citizens and the com

#### pany a chance to get together. Committee on Printing.

The Committee on Printing, at its meeting last night, received reports showing that of the appropriation of \$6,000 made to it for the year ending Jan. 31, 1901, the had expended \$4,770.50. Last night the ordered bills paid amounting to \$75.07 They return unexpended at 10 \$75.07 They return unexpended \$1,154.39. The wording of the contract with Weymouth Meister & Smethie was changed to meet with the wishes of the City Attorney and the committee adjourned.

The session of the Water Committee was devoted to routine work.

### INDIANS THREATENING.

Say They Will Lay Town in Ashes. Signal Fires Burned. (By Associated Press.)

BRISTOW, I. T., Jan. 28.—At daybreak this morning nine Snake Indians rode up to the jail, but not finding Tom Tiger to the jail, but not hinding Tom Tiger there, they rode off toward Big Deep Fork. The Indians still threaten to lay the town in ashes. Signal fires were burned in the south early this morning, and a big council is to be held on Big Deep Fork, about twenty miles south.

Pawnee Bill left fornight for Muskogee, and will make an attempt to meet Old Snake and his followers.

# THE EARLY BIRD CAUGHT THE WORM

an Unseasonable Hour.

### RESULT OF A JOKE.

Much Business Done With Small Membership.

RAILROAD TAX COMPROMISE.

Will Pay One Hundred Thousand Into the State Treasury of Increased Taxes Annually-A Bill to Give Additional Powers to the

Convention.

(Special Dispatch to The Times,) RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 28.-Probably the

earliest session ever held by a North Carolina General Assembly was that of the House of Representatives this morning from 7:30 until 8:30 o'clock. The usual hour for Monday morning sessions is 11:30 or noon, and the unusual hour to-day was the result of a motion intended by Mr. Rountree, of New Hanover, as a joke burlesqueing Mr. Graham's continued insistance for early (9:30) sessions.

EARLY MEETING HOUR. Mr. Rountree made the motion Saturday to adjourn to 7:39 A. M. to-day, and be-fore the members generally realized what was being done the recess was taken in accordance with Mr. Rountree's motion.

Neither he, Graham or Gattis (seconder of Rountree's motion) were in their seats this morning, and a resolution by Zachary this morning, and a resolution of the was adopted providing that in future no motion by either of them (Rountree, Gattis or Graham) shall be considered until it is seconded by the laziest man in the House. Luckily this personage is not designated.

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Ignated.

There were only about forty-five members in their seats this morning. But no question of quorum was raised, and thirty odd bills, all of a local character, were passed on their second and third readings.

passed on their second and third readings. TAX COMPROMISE.

The long and hard-fought suit between the North Carolina Corporation Commission and the leading railroad companies doing business in the State has been compromised, and the railroads will pay into the State treasury \$100.000 annually increased taxes. The fight by the railroad companies was on the ground that the Corporation Commissioner had assessed railroad property at full value, while property generally throughout the State was assessed at not more than two-thirds value.

Williad introduced a bill in the Hous to-day to empower the Corporation Com-mission to regulate property tax valua-tions throughout the State. It provides that a member of the commission shall visit each county of the State at least once a year and see that tax listers and assessors perform their duties properly, nd that equal and just tax valuation pre-

### LI HUNG DELIRIOUS.

His Life Despaired of Says a Shangha Newspaper, (By Associated Press.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 28.-A dispatch to the North China Daily News, of this city, from Pekin, says says that Li Hung Chang is suffering from fever and is de lirious, his life being despaired of.

Rowler Was Stabbed. Tom Bowler and George Jackson, two white men, got into an altercation in the vicinity of First Market yesterday afternoon. Jackson, it is claimed by Bowler, stabbed him in the back. Bowler's injuries were treated by Dr. Fisher, of the ambulance corps. The wound is not serious.

# KERR ACQUITTED **OF MURDER CHARGE**

#### Pleaded Non Vulte on Other Count. Sentence Will Likely be Pronounced To-Day.

(By Associated Press.) PATERSON, N. J., Jan. 28.-George J Kerr, who was jointly indicted with Mc Alister, Campbell and Death on a charge of criminal assault and murder in the first degree in connection with the death of Jennie Bosschieter ,in court to-day before Judge Dixon pleaded non vulte to the charge of assault.

The plea of non vulte contendere to the

charge of assault has the same effect as a plea of guilty, although technically its is not an admission of the crime. In ef-fect it is an announcement that no deiense would be offered.

Tense would be offered.

Mr. Harding, Kerr's counsel, claimed that Kerr had not hired the hack on the night of the murder for the use to which it was put, but for an entirely different mission. He said that during the occurrences on the Rock Road Kerr was sick nd took no part in the assault on the

Judge Dixon referred to the trial of Mc-Alister, Death and Campbell, and said that if he had been on the jury that tried them he would have found a verdict of murder in the first degree.

Judge Dixon said the prosecutor had no evidence connecting Kerr with the drugging of Jennie Bosschieter, and consequently the charge of murder was eliminated. The Judge said that Sculthorpe the hackman, was gullty with the others, but that he had come forward and told a

but that he had come forward and told a true story of the occurrences of the night and the prosecutor had very properly decided not to prosecute him.

Prosecutor Emly announced to-day that he would have McAlister, Kerr, Campbell and Death arraigned in court to-morrow and would move that sentence be prosecuted at 100c. nounced at once.

nounced at once.

It is the general opinion here that all the prisoners except Kerr will receive the extreme penalty, which is thirty years' imprisonment at hard labor. It is also believed that Kerr will be sentenced to the full penalty of the law for the charge on which he pleaded non vulte, which is fifteen years' imprisonment at hard labor.

# THE DEADLOCK STILL CONTINUES

Movement to Have the N.C. Legislature Meets at Another Futile Effort to Nominate a Judge.

### TOOK SEVEN BALLOTS.

Whittle Holds His Own and Refuses to Make a Show-down.

JUDGE PRENTIS DROPS OUT.

His Name Formally Withdrawn from

from the Caucus-Battle Royal Is

On Between the Three Leaders. Hot Fight Over Adjournment-Another Meeting Thursday Night. The Democratic caucus of the General

Assembly met again last night, and after taking several fruitless ballots on the judgeship of the Supreme Court, adjourned to meet again on Thursday night, when another attempt will be made to nominate a candidate.

Just before adjournment Senator Maynard formally and finally withdrew the name of Judge R. R. Prentis, so the battle will now be fought out between the three leading candidates. The forces of Judges Mann and Phlegar

tried every possible means to drop Judge Whittle, so as to see what he would do with his strength, but the supporters of with his strength, but the supporters of the Henry man stuck together and re-fused to be forced to make a show down. The leaders of Judges Mann and Phle-gar trained closely together throughout the entire meeting, and finally brought about an adjournment through a combi-nation of their forces. They struggled hard ngainst the efforts of the Whittle people to fix a date for another meeting, and would perhaps have carried their noint but for the breaking away from and would perhaps have carried their point but for the breaking away from them of Hon: John Whitehead, of Norfolk, and Senator Wickham, of Hanover, who caused a stampede of votes from aye to no on the question of adjournment without day Senator Flood for Judge Mann and Delegate Price for Judge Phlegar made impassioned speeches against Mr. Saunders' right to have a date fived after a motion to adjourn had

date fixed after a motion to adjourn had been made.

ALL ARE STILL HOPEFUL. The friends of all the candidates talked hopefully of the final result of the strug-

ple after the adjournment was accomplished last night.

Hon. R. G. Southall said he believed the contest would be settled Thursday night, and that Mann would win.

night, and that Mann would win.

Major S. Heth Tyler said about the
same thing in behalf of Judge Phlegar.

Speaker Saunders, Hon, S. L. Kelley and
Congressman Swanson, for Judge Whittle, agreed that they had the big end of
the fight, and would hold it until crowned
with victory in the caucus Thursday
night. night.

The fight is going to wax warm from

now on, and it will be a battle royal until it is determined one way or another.

The caucus was called to order by Chairman T. C. Pilcher at 8 o'clock. Secretary Charles C. Bland recorded.

The balloting was immediately proceeded with between Judges Whittle. Mann and Phlegar, Judge Prentis having received the lowest number of votes on the last ballot Friday night and his name being dropped under the rules. being dropped under the rules.
THE FIRST BALLOT.

The first ballot stood as follows:
For Phlegar-Messrs. Ayers, Baker,
Bowles, Bruce, Cowan, Davis, L. G. Donohoe, Dupuy, Ewell, Fleet, Folkes, Galle-her, Gent, Johnston, Lambert, Lewis, Lyle, Lyons, Madison, Massie, McCung, McConnell, Moss, Parks, Patteson, Pollock, Price, Robinson, Rolston, Ryan, Shands, St. Clair, Steel, Stickley, Tate, Todd, Toney, Tyler, Waring, J. M. Whitehead, Willard-II.

For Mann-Messrs. Baugh, Birdsong, Blakey, Bland, Boaz, Clarke, Cogbill, S. R. Donohoe, Duke, Edwards, Embrey, Flood, Foster, Garnett, Hartley, Hubard, Jeffries, Felix M. Jones, Thomas N. Jones, E. C. Jordan, Walter Jordan, LeCato, Lupton, Maynard, McIlwaine, McAllis-ter, Morris, Overby, Owen, Pettit, Pilch-er, Priddy, Sands, Shelton, Southall, Wal-lace, Watkins, Warthen, John White-head, Willard, Williams—11.

head, Willard, Williams—II.

For Whittle—Messrs. Akers, Anderson,
Barksdale, Barclay, Blakemore, Buntin,
Cardwell, Churchman, Claytor, Clement,
Dodson, Earley, Eggleston, Featherston,
Fitzpatrick, Glass, Goad, Gouldman,
Gregory, Harvey, Hume, Hutcheson,
James, Jennings, Kelley, Keezell, Lacy,
Leech, Matthews, McRae, Munford, Murrell, Musgrave, Newhouse, Nottingham rell, Musgrave, Newhouse, Nottingham, Opie, Saunders, Stoner, Tuck, Tyle Ware, Wellford, Joseph Whitehead—43. Tuck, Tyler,

BALLOTS WITHOUT RESULTS. The second ballot was taken without e-entering Judge Prentis. It resulted as

ballot resulted as follows, Judge Prentis being again entered: .45 Phiegar. .45 Mann .45 Prentis ... Phiegar 44
Mann 42
Whitel 19

Mr. Hume moved to drop the two low-est candidates and proceed to elect a judge. This brought a dozen leaders to their feet, and Senator Munford ap-pealed to the caucus not to adopt a cloture rule, but to give every man a chance. Senator Flood spoke along the same line, and Mr. Hume withdrew his

WANTED TO DROP TWO.

Whittle.

motion amid loud applause.

Another ballot was then taken without re-entering Judge Prentis. There was very little change in the result, the vote 
 standing as follows:
 39

 Phlegar.
 39

 Mann.
 45

 Whittle.
 45

Judge Phlegar was dropped and Judge

Prentis again brought into the race. The

vote on this ballot was as follows: Mann......34 Whittle .. Nottingham changed his vote from Prentis to Whittle, and he was loudly cheered. Judge Mann was then dropped and Judge Phlegar again entered. The ballot 

which had already been had, his name would not again be presented. This statement was loudly applauded, and Mr. Price moved to adjourn.

A GREAT FIGHT.

This motion made by the leader of one of the candidates came as a great surprise and the Whittle people demanded a surprise and the whittle people demanded a roll call.

Judge Prentis and stated that his friends were supporting him in good faith, but that after a sufficient trial of his strength,

roll call.

It was evident that a majority had voted to adjourn, and pending the announcement of the vote, Mr. Saunders rose to make a motion fixing a date for

a reconvening of the caucus.

He was ruled out of order, but the chair ruled that he could rise to a parliamentory inquiry.

Senator Flood and Delegate Price were

in the center alsie demanding that the vote be announced, when Mr. Whitehead, of Norfolk, changed his vote from aye to no. He was followed by several other no. He was followed by severa no. He was followed by several other members, but the great break did not come until Senator Wickham mounted a chair and made an impassioned speech, in which he said he was willing to help adjourn the caucus, but he would not help to kill it. He, therefore, moved that when the body adjourn, it do so to meet on Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

The greatest confusion and excitement reigned for some time, and some of the

reigned for some time, and some of the leaders displayed much feeling. The Mann and Whittle people voted together on the question of adjournment, but Sen-ator Wickham threw many of the Mann followers in the other column and poured oil on troubled waters.

## GOSSIP OF THE LEADERS.

What Is Going on Among Virginia's Law-Makers. Hon, Joseph E. Willard, the popular

member of the House of Delegates from Fairfax, arrived yesterday, and was warmly greeted by his friends in that body. He landed in New York Sunday from a two months' trip in Europe with

his family.

He said yesterday that his stay abroad was exceedingly pleasant and restful, and he was never in better health. He has gained considerably in weight during his Mr. Willard declared that he was still

Mr. Willard declared that he was stirl in the race for Lleutenant-Governor, and will remain so to the finish. He has a strong support for that position by mem-bers of the House, and many influential friends in the State are working for his nomination.

Mr. Willard, in speaking of the new Willard Hotel now being built in Washington on the site of the old Willard, said the structure was well under way, and would be completed by November. The structure will be one of the handsomest in the United States; will be eleven stories high, each sailt with all the most modern im-

United States; will be eleven stories high, and built with all the most modern improvements and conveniences. It will be of Indiana limestone, and will have about five hundred guest rooms, each baving an opening so as to get the advantage of the say tick. the sun-light.

The hotel will be run on the European

The resolution offered in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Morris, with reference to the sale of the State's interest in the R. F. & P. R. R., brings fresh to mind again the great Seaboard Air Line fight during the regular session winter before last. The contest then waged over giving the Seaboard a charter for a road from Richmond to Washington was one of the most memorable of recent years. The imancial officers of the State and the

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# FIVE KILLED IN FREIGHT WRECK

Three Trains in Mad Race to Correct Fatal Mistake of Sleep-

ing Engineer. BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 28.-A special from Parkersburg, W. Va., to the Morn-

ing Herald, says: "Five persons dead, and one severely wounded; two engines and ten loaded cars wrecked, is the result of the mistake of a train crew this afternoon between Petroleum and Volcano Junction on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The dead are:

"J. B. Watkins, engineer train No. 98, from Grafton. "W. W. Cunningham, fireman on No. 98, cently from the second division.
"McCourtney, of Parkersburg, brake-

man on No. 98. "J. T. Balley, of Parkersburg, fireman

on No. 87. "J. G. Bailey, of Kanawah, brakeman "The injured: Ike Davidson, of Grafton, engineer on No. 87, burned, cut and

bruised.

The scene was indescribable. All the five men pinned under the wreck were dead, and only one of the bodies had been found. He was J. G. Bailey, whose body was crushed so as to be unrecognizable, and could only be identified by his watch, which stopped at 195 P. M.

The accident occurred in a cut on a

curve on a heavy down grade, and at the end of a bridge. That anyone was saved at all is almost a miracle. The third section of No. 87 was on the

siding at Petroleum with orders to wait there till No. 98 passed east. Engineer Davidson, who escaped with slight in-juries, was the engineer on No. 87, and went to sleep on the siding. When the first section went by he thought it was the second section, and started out on to the main track. His fremen and forward brakeman must also have been asleep, for they allowed him to take the train out. The conductor of first 98, after it had passed, saw Davidson pulling out and tried to wave him to stop, but failed. The conductor of the fourth 87, seeing the third section pull out, ran forward after it us fast us pos-sible, his engineer whistled down brakes, and the conductor of the wrecked train rum over the tops of the cars till he reached the next car to the last one wrecked in his attempt to stop the engineer, but none of them attracted his attention in time. Conductor Languan nanaged to jump in time to save him-

### (By Associated Press.)

VENTERSBURG ROAD, ORANGE VENTERSBURG ROAD, ORANGE RIVER COLONY, Saturday, Jan. 28.— General Dewet and Paterson with 500 Boers crossed the rallroad between her-and Halfontein January 23d, Twenty-five British in ambush killed five of the

> A Slight Skirmish. (By Associated Press.)

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 28.—It is reported that the invaders have reached the Ondtshoorn district, where they had a slight skirmish with the defense forces.

### DECORATED BY ROYAL HANDS

King Honors Emperor and Crown Prince.

ORDER OF GARTER

German Emperor Made a British Field Marshal.

ARRANGEMENT FOR FUNERAL.

The Procession Will Leave Osborne House Friday at 2 P. M. and March to Pier Between Lines of Troops-Thirty-Eight War Vessels Will, Participate.

(By Associated Press.) COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT, Jan. 28 .-

The Crown Prince of Germany, Fredrick William, was invested with the Order of the Garter to-day by King Edward VII. The investiture occurred in the council chamber of Osborne House, and was a brilliant function. The high officers of the household, military and civil functionaries, and the Emperor's entourage, including a party from the Imperial yatch Hohenzollern, were present, all in full uniform.

While the Crown Prince knelt before the King to receive the insignia, His Majesty addressed a few cordial words to the Prince, and then turning to Emperor William, in touching terms, he thanked him for his visit at this time of sorrow and bereavement, and dwelt on the per-sonal and other ties uniting the two countries, Germany and Great Britain. It is said that Emporer William will bestow the Order of the Red Eagle on Prince Arthur of Connaught (Son of the Duke of Connaught.) The Grand Court Marshal of Prussia,

Count Von Eulenberg, is on his way to join the suite of Emperor William. The latter accompanied the Crown Prince on a long ramble through the Saborne House grounds to-day. His Majesty later boarded the Hohen-zollern to transact urgent State business. Sunday was Emperor William's forty-

second birthday, and it was observed here by conferring upon him two of the highest honors that the English sovereign has to bestow. King Edward appointed him a Field Marshal of the British Army, and also presented to him with his own hands the Insignia of the Order of the Garter set with diamonds. The Queen had intended to present the insignia to His Majesty on his birthday.

THE QUEEN'S FUNERAL.

#### Thirty-Eight Vessels Will Take Part in Naval Display, (By Associated Press.) COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT, Jan. 25,-

The funeral procession will leave Osborne House Friday at 2 P. M. The route to the pier will be lined with troops, and Royat personages will follow the coffin on foot. An order issued by Admiral Sir Charles Frederick Hotham shows that thirty-eight British vessels will take part in the naval display.

### DAY OF MOURNING.

All Business Will Be Suspended on

LONDON, Jan. 28.-It was officially an-

nuonced late this evening that King Ed-ward had ordered Saturday to be ob-served as a day of general mourning. All the banks will be closed and business sus-Almost all the arrangements for the funeral thus far are provisional and subject to the approval of the King, who will come to London to-morrow.

All drapers display by citizens shall be of purple. The procession from St. Georges Chapel Royal, at Windsor to-Frogmore, has been abandoned and the

Frogmore, has been abandoned and the coffin will remain in the chapel until the day of interment, which will probably be The Kalser, the Crown Prince and the The Kalser, the Crown Prince and the other Germans in official attendance at the funeral will ride in the procession. The gun carriages to be used at Cowes and Windsor and in London will be painted the color of khaki and fitted with rub-

### Proclaiming the King.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Jan. 28.—The ceremony of proclaiming King Edward VII, as King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and Emperor of India, con-tinues in all the centres of the Kingdom. An impressive function took place in the Royal Borough of Windsor at noon. Thousands witnessed the historic proceed-

### SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

-The caucus again fails to nominate Suprema Court judge.
-State's interest in the R., F. & P. Railroad may not be sold.
-Two Richmond men die suddenly.
-Baptist ministers antagonize Dr. Thomson's views.

—A record-breaking shipment of goods

A record-breaking shipment of goods to be made to-day.

—Mrs. Randolph discusses the removal of Confederates' bodies.

—Breezy discussion in the Woman's Club over federation.

—Plan to elect city officials and Councilmen for four years.

State. -Robert O. Dyer appointed chief clerk to Collector Asa Rogers. -Portsmouth and the county oppose Norfolk's scheme to tunnel Elizabeth

Normal School.

-Fireman of a steamer murdered for his money. General. -Senator Towne delivered a speech in the Senate on the Philippines. -Five persons killed in freight wreck in West Virginia. -Mrs. Nation called the Governor of

Kansas a lawbreaker and a perjurer.

-Ruhlin and Jeffries placed under arrest for training for a prize-fight. Foreigh.

Foreight

-King Edward makes Emperor William
a British field martial and Knight of the
Garter.
-Thirty-eight vessels to take part in
naval display attendant upon the Queen's
funeral.
-Envoys meet and discuss the punishment for minor Chinese officials.